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**Letter dated 25 June 2007 from the Permanent Representative of
Paraguay to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

I am writing to you in follow-up to my letter dated 6 June 2007 (A/61/944) in which I transmitted to you a copy of the communiqué issued on 22 May 2007 by the States parties of the Common Market of the South (MERCOSUR). I have the honour to transmit this communiqué to you once again (see annex). I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Eladio Loizaga
Ambassador
Permanent Representative



**Annex to the letter dated 25 June 2007 addressed to the
Secretary-General by the Permanent Representative of
Paraguay to the United Nations**

**Communiqué of the States parties of the Common Market of the
South (MERCOSUR)**

Asunción, 22 May 2007

The States parties of MERCOSUR reiterate their condemnation of terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, adhering strictly to international law, international human rights law and international humanitarian law. They also reaffirm the need to prevent impunity for perpetrators of terrorist acts.

With regard to the situation of Luís Posada Carriles, who is accused of terrorist acts and implicated in the downing in 1976 of an aircraft belonging to the Compañía Cubana de Aviación, which caused the death of 73 civilians, the States parties of MERCOSUR express their firm belief that the authorities of the United States of America must take steps enabling Luís Posada Carriles to be duly tried for those acts.

The States parties of MERCOSUR reaffirm the value of extradition as an essential tool in fighting terrorism and call on States which have received requests from States parties of MERCOSUR for the extradition of terrorists to process those requests in the requisite manner.
